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WILL SURVEY DAM SITE AND CANAL

Committee's Report Adopted by the Water Users' Association

ENGINEER WILL BE EMPLOYED

Estimate of Cost of Construction of Dam and Canal To Be Made

The meeting of the Gila Valley Water Users' Association held at the court house Monday afternoon, was one of the largest and most representative meetings that the organization has ever held. More than one hundred citizens from all parts of the valley were present.

The report of the committee appointed to view the proposed dam site and select a route for a canal, was submitted, and a resolution was adopted authorizing the association, through its president, to immediately employ an engineer and have a survey made and secure estimates of the cost of construction of a dam at a point about 1 1/2 miles up the river, from the present U. S. Gauge station, and a canal from that point at least 15 miles down the river and as much farther as the funds on hand would permit.

It was also brought out that those who have not yet paid their dues, should do so at once in order that funds might be available for a complete survey of the system, to the end that it might be known what lands will come under the system, what it will cost and all about it.

The amount of the power that may be generated with the waters diverted will also be estimated in the engineer's report.

It was brought out in the discussion that a conservative estimate would place the amount expended by the canals in the valley during the last fifteen years in the maintenance of dams and the heads of the canals washed out by the rivers, at over \$300,000.00, which would build a diversion dam at the point mentioned that would last forever.

It is very evident that if the farmers of this valley would stop throwing their money into the river in the shape of brush and rock and build a permanent diversion dam, it would be cheaper than the present system and the power they would be able to generate would eventually pay for it.

Washburn's Minstrels at Brier's, Feb. 17th

A large audience at the Garrick last night witnessed the Washburn Minstrels. They give a high-class and clean performance. Their opening was a fine scenic production, the Festival of Flowers. A beautiful stage setting. All of their costumes were the finest silks and satins. The end men were certainly funny. The jokes were new to us anyway. The singing and dancing were good.

The olio or vaudeville part that followed the first part, was very clever. Jim Wise (from Georgia by telegraph), the leading comedian, in a bright and new monologue, was fine. Jimmy Stewart, with his one-string fiddle, was a riot. Watta Bros., billed as acrobats supreme, surely filled the bill. A very clever performance, Johnson and Johnson, Crosby and Crosby and several other clever acts closed this olio.

Then came the closing bill, entitled, "The Pullman Porter," A very funny act.

Take it all the way through, it was the best minstrel show that has visited Clinton since the new house opened. — Clinton, Ga., Transcript.

Will show here one night only, at Brier's Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 17th. Street parade on arrival of evening train.

A NEW DADDY

Perry A. Burke, the genial editor of the Gila Valley Farmer, is hitting the high places these days and wearing the smile that wont come off, and there is a reason. The stork brought the editor and his wife a fine baby girl, Wednesday afternoon, February 4th, and Perry is sure some daddy now. Mother and baby are reported doing nicely.

WANT FLU REPORTS

Graham County Physicians Are Not Reporting Cases Promptly

DR. J. NEWTON STRATTON, Safford, Arizona.

On January 26th, we wired you as follows: "We are transmitting you herewith copy of Surgeon General Blue's wire, as follows: 'Bureau desires daily telegram from you showing cases of influenza and deaths from influenza and pneumonia in your State, especially large centers of population. To obtain this information Local Health Officers should be advised to wire you immediately government rate collect upon outbreak of influenza, daily thereafter during epidemic. Signed, Blue.' George Goodrich, State Supt. of Public Health."

The records of our office show that the physicians of your county are not reporting influenza and pneumonia as the law requires. As a matter of fact, death certificates from different counties indicate that the physicians are very culpable in their neglect of the law, or else that many are so ignorant that they are unable to recognize the condition of their patients until after the patient is dead. I cannot bring myself to believe that the last condition is true.

I would suggest that you go to your local newspaper with this letter and impress upon them the need of publicity in order that the physicians of your county may be brought to a realization of the necessity of reporting promptly to you cases of infectious diseases in order that you may report promptly to us. I would appreciate it greatly if you would send this office any article that may be printed in connection with this matter.

A letter from you as to actual conditions in your community at the present time in connection with influenza, smallpox, diphtheria will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,
GEO. E. GOODRICH,
State Supt. Public Health.

Twelve cases of influenza have been reported in Solomonville. All light cases.

Dan Cupid Lands

Two Loving Hearts

Dan Cupid pulled one over on the many friends of Miss Laura Welker and Lawrence Foster, when he summoned Judge McAlister this morning, to tie the knot that binds two loving hearts.

The ceremony took place about 9:30 o'clock, at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Foster, on First West street.

The young couple had kept perfectly mum about their intentions, and only when they appeared at the depot to take the morning train for Tucson, where they will spend their honeymoon, did their friends get wise.

MIT SIMMS IMPROVING

Secretary of State Mit Simms, who has been confined to his bed at the Hotel Olive the past ten days, suffering from an attack of bronchitis, is reported improving and will be out in a few days. Mrs. Simms arrived here from Phoenix Sunday and has been in constant attendance upon her husband.

CITY PARK SOLD

Bert Hoopes and John Hoopes have purchased from D. W. Wickertsham the block of ground known as the City Park.

A full line of Seeds, at The Big Six, Thatcher. Plant some. 52-1t

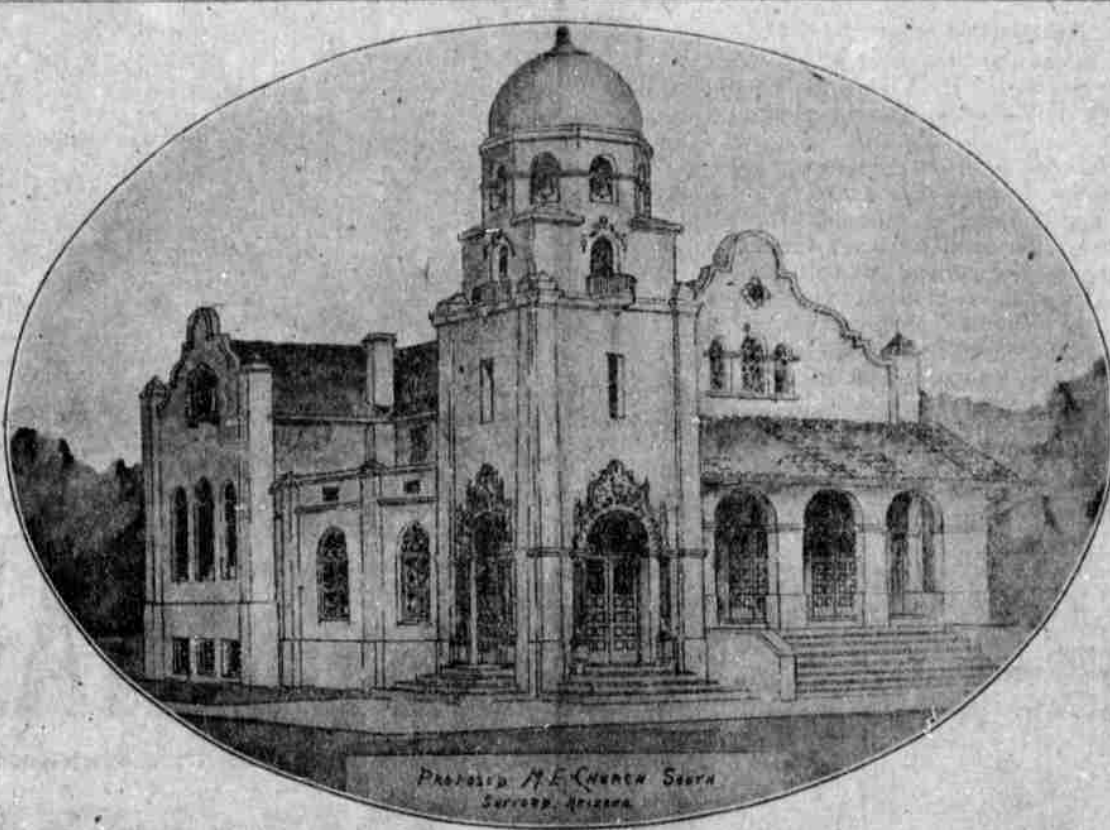
DIED

Mabel Inez Gipson, aged 38 years, wife of G. E. Gipson, of Lockwood, Mo., died at Solomonville, January 28, 1920, of tuberculosis.

Margie Dell Gipson, aged 22 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Gipson, died January 27, 1920, of tuberculosis.

The bodies were embalmed for shipment at O'Bryan's Undertaking Parlor, and were shipped last Friday morning to Lockwood, Mo.

Mrs. Gipson and little daughter were on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Richter, at their home in Solomonville, at the time of their death.



Hogg Creek Refinery Now Being Built

M. R. Kelly, general manager of the Hogg Creek Refinery, now being built at Stephenville, Texas, has established his office next door to the Pace Hardware Store, and is now a very busy man, looking after the interests of the company. The refinery is located on the Cotton Belt Railway, and a crew of men are employed in excavating for foundations for stills and making forms for cement foundation.

This company is to use the very latest process for extracting gasoline from the crude oil, which gives a higher per cent yield than the old process, and of course insures a greater profit to shareholders.

Refineries invariably have been profitable because they turn out a product which is in great demand all over the world.

A large number of Graham county people hold stock in this enterprise, and they are expecting good dividends from their investment.

Safford Flour Mill Company Organized

The Safford Flour Mill Company has been organized here with the following officers: Turner West, president; John West, vice-president; John Farrell, secretary-treasurer; Vic Holding, manager and head miller.

The capital stock is \$75,000. The company has an ideal location here and will install a modern 125-barrel flour mill; also, a barley and corn meal equipment, and will be prepared to manufacture flour and all its products, corn meal and rolled barley.

The company will have its plant in full operation for the coming 1920 crop. Manager Holding states that the new mill will be one of the best and most complete in the State.

ON A BUYING TRIP

Miss Elizabeth Young, of The Vogue, left Sunday for Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal., on a buying trip. Miss Young will purchase up-to-date millinery and ready-to-wear, and will have the opportunity to seeing the latest styles for the benefit of the ladies of Safford.

Need Glasses?

For accurately fitting glasses, see Dr. Schell on his regular visit through the valley next week. Will be at Pima Hotel, Monday, Feb. 9th; Thatcher, Tuesday, Feb. 10th; Safford, Wednesday, Feb. 11th. Special attention to children's eyes. 52-1t

FOR SALE—Baby chicks and hatching eggs from White Leghorns; trap-nested stock. W. A. Bennett, Box 204, Safford. 52-1t

Dr. Roderick Williams has sold his bungalow on Center street to Spencer Kimball, of Thatcher. Dr. Williams has purchased the lot, corner of Main and Fourth West streets, from Mrs. Lillian Netherblad, and will erect a new bungalow.

Come to the Firemen's Benefit Dance, February 20th. Seven-piece music. 52-2t

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Greenhalgh and two children arrived here Saturday night from Santa Quin, Utah, to spend a month visiting with Mr. Greenhalgh's brother, Joseph Greenhalgh.

Miss Bess Crawford, of Decatur, Ill., is here visiting with her uncle, Attorney W. R. Chambers.

Big Seven-Piece Orchestra will play for Firemen's dance, February 20th. 52-2t

SAFFORD MINSTRELS

Will Give a Benefit Performance for the New Methodist Church

The Safford Minstrel Company, composed of local people, will give a performance at Brier's Hall, next Wednesday evening, February 11th, for the benefit of the building fund for the new Methodist Church, which has been planned to be built on the site of the present church, corner of Center and First South streets.

One of the best minstrel programs ever given in this town will be given by the Safford Minstrels, which includes many social favorites.

The company includes men and women in one grand first part, who will sing the good old songs and crack the jokes that ever bring to mind the darkies of the South and their mirth-loving life.

It is a new feature here of a black face act which includes the women, though this is a popular feature in many large cities back East. The local company includes the following members: Mrs. Ph. Freudenthal, Mrs. R. A. Armstrong, little Jack Sowell, T. T. Swift, D. M. Hibner, C. B. Shaver, R. S. Langdon, A. G. Kennedy, Roy Fisher, Bernard Freudenthal, Clyde Fisher, Cleon Payne, Miss Elizabeth Dodge, R. A. Armstrong, Miss Faye Williams, Mrs. W. K. Dial, Mrs. H. E. Cooper, John F. Weber, Miss Imogene Carrell, Mrs. C. D. Welker, Master Raymond Mason, Master Kenneth Worden, Miss Harriet Sargent, Miss Janie Goff, and Dinah and Erastus.

The proceeds will go to the building fund of the new church and the way the tickets are selling, there is going to be the biggest house on record.

Secure your tickets from the members of the Aid Society, or at The Palms. Reserved seats, 75 cents.

Thatcher To Have Moving Picture Show

A moving picture show will be installed at Thatcher Amusement Hall, by the Amusement Hall Co. The latest type Powers Mazda equipment has been purchased. The first show will be a Fox special, "Evangeline," Theda Bara, February 14th.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The quarterly conference of the St. Joseph Stake will be held in Thatcher tomorrow and Sunday, February 7th and 8th. President Heber J. Grant, President of the Mormon Church, and other Salt Lake visitors will be present.

FOR RENT OR SALE.—Cotton land, 1 mile from Geronimo. This land will produce a bale of cotton or more to the acre. Terms. B. A. Kehyon, Geronimo, Ariz.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rogge arrived here Sunday evening from Belleville, Texas, where they spent a month visiting with relatives and friends. Mr. Rogge has sold out his hardware business in White Salmon, Wash., and expects to locate here.

Fine Hats, at The Big Six, Thatcher. 52-1t

Clyde Ijams, manager of the Gila Valley Electric, Gas and Water Co., made a business trip to Globe Saturday, returning Tuesday morning.

Bowie and Safford To Build New Road

R. A. Armstrong, D. L. Ridgway, F. L. Ginter, Rev. Hardie Connor, Sam Paxton and Horace E. Cooper returned home early Tuesday morning from Bowie, where they attended a very enthusiastic good roads meeting Monday evening.

They represented Safford on the proposition to build the new road from Safford to Bowie.

The meeting resulted in the adoption of a resolution by the Bowie people to start their end of the road and continue until they meet the workers from Safford.

The work will start on Wednesday, February 18th, at 7:00 a. m.

A citizens' meeting will be called for some evening next week to make arrangements for the big road drive.

FOR SALE—Baby chicks and hatching eggs from White Leghorns; trap-nested stock. W. A. Bennett, Box 204, Safford. 52-1t

Charles Kirtland with Pace Hardware

Charles Kirtland has accepted a position with the Pace Hardware Co.

Mr. Kirtland will devote most of his time in the interest of the implement, tractor and automobile department of the company.

The Pace Hardware Co. is the agent for the International implements, Titan tractors, Buick, Chandler and Cadillac automobiles.

A car load of Titan tractors and a car load of cotton tillage tools are now en route from Chicago.

SWIFT PROMOTED

Forest Supervisor T. T. Swift returned home last night from Albuquerque, N. M., where he attended the annual meeting of the forest supervisors. Mr. Swift was promoted to the position of district forest inspector, and will have charge of District No. 3, comprising Arizona and New Mexico, with headquarters here.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Baby carriage, in good condition. Mrs. F. H. John, Safford. 52-1t

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Reinhardt and six children arrived here last week from Cottonwood, Arizona, and are domiciled in one of the McBride cottages on First West street. Mr. Reinhardt will be the local salesman for the M. L. Morgan Co., wholesale grocers.

A full line of Seeds, at The Big Six, Thatcher. Plant some. 52-1t

Frank McCollum, after a visit here of several days with his mother, Mrs. Laura McCollum, and his sister, Miss Daisy McCollum, left Monday morning, via Galveston, Texas, for Tampico, Mexico, where he has accepted a position as an electrician with the Continental Mexican Petroleum Company.

All come to the Firemen's Dance. Good music and a big time. 52-2t

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dowdle motored over from Klondyke Sunday to spend the day in town, returning home Monday afternoon.

A full line of Shoes, at The Big Six, Thatcher. 52-1t

J. M. Evans, formerly of Millston, Okla., has located on a farm in Thatcher.

Assorted everblooming roses, now ready, at Smith's Nursery.

OBSERVE ARBOR DAY

Proclamation by Governor Campbell Sets Date for the Holiday

Arizona, recognizing the value and benefits of the custom inaugurated by the State of Nebraska shortly after the Civil War, has decreed the observance of Arbor Day and imposed upon the Governor the duty of setting aside two days (one for the southern and the other for the northern counties) on which appropriate exercises shall accompany the planting of trees, vines, shrubbery and flowers by the pupils of public and private schools.

In the pursuit of knowledge there is a tendency to devote our time to those subjects calculated to equip us mentally for earning capacity, forgetting that cultivation of the esthetic is essential to a complete and well rounded education and to the enjoyment of those things in life not measured by the standard of dollars and cents. Love of nature is inherent in every human being, but if not educated or lead out, it becomes dormant and atrophied. Nature cannot speak her varied language to those who have ears to hear and will not listen and eyes to see and will not look. To such a child or man there is no music of the spheres, no melody in the winds sighing through the pines. For him the birds do not chant a song of praise; there is no glory in the sunrise or lesson of life in the sunset; the desert is merely a barren waste and the Grand Canyon is simply a gigantic hole in the earth, instead of an awe-inspiring colorful creation of the Master Painter and Architect. Nature has been prodigal with her gifts, but with our eyes to the ground instead of lifted upward to the everlasting hills, and the skies which declare the glory of their Maker, we miss the beautiful visions which have been created not alone for our mental delectation, but for the purification of our souls.

It is, therefore vital that our schools recognize the importance and necessity of impressing upon the minds of our children that through an understanding of Nature, they are better able to comprehend what is good and really worth while, and become attuned to the Infinite. Arbor Day, therefore, has more than utilitarian significance and it is meet and proper that these deeper lessons should be diligently pursued.

Now, Therefore, I, Thomas E. Campbell, Governor of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me, and in conformity with the provisions of Paragraphs 2837-2840, Chapter XX of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, do hereby designate and set apart, Friday, the 6th day of February, 1920, as Arbor Day, to be observed in the counties of Cochise, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz and Yuma, and similarly I hereby designate and set apart Friday, the second day of April, 1920, as Arbor Day for due observance in the counties of Apache, Coconino, Navajo, Mohave and Yavapai.

And I also recommend that observance of these occasions be not confined to the schools of the commonwealth, but that those of older years pause from their labors and with civic pride as their actuating motive, aid in beautifying the several communities in which they live.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arizona to be hereunto affixed. Done at Phoenix, the Capital, this 30th day of January, 1920.

THOMAS E. CAMPBELL, Governor of Arizona.

ATTEST: MIT SIMMS, Secretary of State.

By R. E. MCGILLEN, Assistant Secretary.

New Bank Buys the Ijams' Corner

The Arizona Trust and Savings Bank has purchased the Ijams' corner, Main and First West streets, the deal going through last week.

The lot is 25 by 100 feet and will afford a splendid site for the bank.

A two-story pressed brick building will be erected, plans for which are now underway.

The first floor will be occupied by the bank and the second floor for offices.

BUYS PROPERTY

The Pace Hardware Co. has purchased from Geo. A. Olney the building it now occupies, also the building adjoining, leased by the Solomon Commercial Co., and the building occupied by the Safford Market. The deal went thru when Mr. Olney was here recently.

Mrs. I. E. Solomon arrived here this morning from Globe and is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ph. Freudenthal.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Quinn, at their home in Klondyke, Arizona, Friday, January 16, 1920, a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Stewart, at Solomonville, Wednesday, January 23, 1920, a boy.

120,000 STAND IN BREAD LINE

More Than 1,000,000 Face Death Is Message Brought by Miss Dakesian

APPEAL OF NEAR EAST RELIEF

To People of the United States for Funds To Save Starving People of Armenia

Imagine a bread line of 120,000 famished people waiting for twenty-four hours a day for the dole of food that is the sole barrier between them and death from starvation. That is the situation in Alexandropol, a city in Russian Armenia, according to Miss Hermine Dakesian, a pretty Armenian girl, one of the survivors of four years



MISS HERMINE DAKESIAN.

of the horrors of Turkish massacres and deportations. Saved by an American woman, she came to this country and entered Oberlin College.

With her nine fourteen other Armenian girls in charge of Miss Adelaide S. Dwight, a Near East Relief worker, who has been instrumental in helping to save hundreds of thousands of their people from death by starvation. Miss Dwight, who is not given to exaggeration and has seen conditions at first hand, says more than a million people are facing death by starvation in Armenia and will perish unless America aids.

Herself an eyewitness to the slaughter of hundreds of helpless women and children by the Turks and a victim of the deportations, Miss Dakesian, an unusually pretty girl, says there is untold suffering in Armenia and Syria. She praises the efforts of the Near East Relief, formerly the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, to save as many of these people as possible. At Erivan, the capital of the Armenian republic, one hot meal is given out daily, and by this relief alone the city's death rate has been cut from a thousand daily to an average of twenty. At Alexandropol, where the refugees from Turkish Armenia were driven by thousands, the situation is appalling, Miss Dakesian says. It is to avert these wholesale deaths that Near East Relief is making a nation-wide appeal for funds.

Legislature to Meet February 12th

Governor Campbell has issued a proclamation for the legislature to meet in special session next Thursday, February 12th, at Phoenix.

The call states that only the Woman's Suffrage Amendment is to be considered at this special session.

See The Big Six advertisement on page four. 52-1t

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Stratton entertained a few guests at a six o'clock dinner Monday evening, in honor of the eleventh birthday of their son, Hunter. Those present, besides the young brother and sisters of Hunter, were: Master Ralph DuBois, Miss Minnie Daniels, Miss Eva Hall and Miss Daisy McCollum.

Assorted fruit trees, ready for planting next week, at my old Nursery grounds, half mile south of Safford depot. By Smith. 52-1t

Supervisors and Mrs. H. J. Dowdle came over from Klondyke Sunday. Mrs. Dowdle visited here while Mr. Dowdle attended the monthly meeting of the board of Supervisors. They returned to Klondyke Wednesday afternoon.

See The Big Six, Thatcher, about cotton and hay tools. 52-1t